

OBITUARIES

JOHN J. SELLERS



John Jarvie Sellers, 90, died at the Heber Hospital on Feb. 13, 1969. He was born June 26, 1878 at the family farm home in Center Creek, Wasatch County, Utah to Archibald and Elizabeth Buys Sellers. He married Emily Jane Duke on September 14, 1904 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

He worked at different jobs including herding sheep for John Austin at \$20.00 per mo., foreman in the sugar beet fields, owned and operated a grocery store in Heber, operated a boarding house at Grass Creek, Utah. In 1910 when the land in Northeastern Utah was thrown open to homesteaders, he went there and located at Midview, near Myton, and for eight years, he and his wife, Emily worked long and happy hours cultivating cattle.

In 1918 they were called to go on an LDS Mission to Cantonina, with headquarters in San Francisco. He became Conference President of that mission. In 1920 they returned to their home in Midview to resume their work for 7 more years. Here he was very active in church work. They moved to Heber where he became a dealer for Rawleigh Products, because of his integrity, industry and friendliness he prospered in this work which lasted for 20 years. He developed into one of the Star Salesmen and in 1937 won an important prize for showmanship.

He and Emily celebrated their golden wedding September 14, 1954. She died May 17, 1960. He married Margaret Jane Casper on May 25, 1961 in the Salt Lake Temple. They have enjoyed many fine trips together as to Montreal, Canada, the LDS Pageant in New York, to California to family members and temples as well as driving often to Colorado to see family. He has been active in his ward church activities. He was respected and thought kindly of by all who knew him. Although they were never blessed with children, he and Emily adopted a little girl named Lola. In a few years her sister Eleanor came to live with them. Lola married Burton Kinsey of Midway. Johnnie is survived by his widow, Margaret and daughter, Mrs. Burton (Lola) Kinsey, Vale, Oregon; 2 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren; his brothers, James Clark Sellers of San Marina, California and Hugh L. Sellers, Oxnard, California and Eleanor who married Allan Bethers.

Funeral services were held on Monday at 1 p. m. at the Heber Sixth Ward Chapel and burial was at the Heber City Cemetery.

His brothers and wives and Lola came to be with him in his last illness. This in memory:
That shining torch he carried high
These ninety years and more,
Now that his hour has come to die
Burns brighter than before.
By his sister-in-law, Mrs. James Clark (Frances) Sellers.

Thursday, February 20, 1969

Services Held for Emily D. Sellers

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Emily D. Sellers in the Heber 1st-6th Ward Chapel. The services were as follows:

Prayer at the Mortuary, George Johnson; prelude and postlude, by a niece, Marjorie D. Merkle; Russell Wall officiated at the services; invocation, a nephew, Bert Anderson; vocal solo, "Oh, My Father", Jay McNaughton, accompanied by LaVada Harrison; speakers, a nephew, Dr. Grant Richens; violin solo, "Softly and Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling", niece, Jean D. Howe, with Margie Merkle at the piano; speaker, George B. Stanley; remarks, Russell Wall, who gave a brief history of the deceased, and told of appreciation of Mr. Sellers and family for the kindnesses shown by many friends and relatives at this time; vocal solo, "That Wonderful Mother of Mine", Ramon Duke, a nephew, accompanied by his wife, Joyce; benediction, Hugh Sellers, a nephew; dedication of the grave was given by Wm. J. Bond.

The 6th Ward Relief Society ladies had charge of the floral offerings. Pallbearers were nephews: Glen Moore, Marvis Anderson, John Hoover, Reed Richins, and Richard Trimble and LeRoy Baxter. Thursday, May 26, 1960